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Sir:

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Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 61-154947 (unexamined application) corresponds to Japanese Patent Publication No. HO 6-45242 (examined application), which is discussed at page 1 of the specification. JP 61-154947 may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 57-100429 (unexamined application) corresponds to Japanese Patent Publication No. HO 3-10089 (examined application), which is discussed at page 18 of the specification. JP 57-100429 may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

U.S. Patent No. 4,657,631 is a U.S. counterpart to JP 61-154947.

U.S. Patent No. 4,393,129 is a U.S. counterpart to JP 57-100429.

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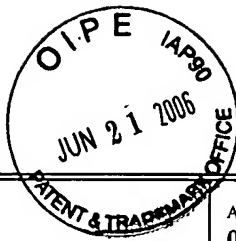
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		57-100429	06/1982	Japan	Abstract & U.S. counterpart
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